

2007 Michigan Merit Examination Assessment Design

The following table outlines the organization of the Michigan Merit Examination (MME). There will be three test books and three corresponding answer folders. Schools will administer a set of tests on each of three days:

- Day 1, ACT Plus Writing, given in 5 parts
- Day 2, WorkKeys and the Michigan Mathematics, given in 3 parts
- Schools may choose to give the Science and Social Studies assessments in one session (3 back-to-back parts) on any single day during Days 2 to 7

The table presents the number of multiple choice (MC) items and prompts in each part of the assessments, the actual testing time and the estimated time for administration including check in, instruction, testing time, breaks and collection of materials. All parts of each assessment will be timed and must be administered at the same time of day to all students in a given high school.

These assessment organization parameters provide consistent and high levels of test security, increased test validity and minimize the interruptions of instruction.

| Spring 2007 Test Organization | | | | | | |
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| Day* | Assessment | Subject Session | Number of Parts | Total Items | Testing Time (minutes) | Estimated Time Required for Administration |
| Day 1 March 13 (Makeup March 27) | ACT Plus Writing | English | 5 | 75 MC items | 45 | Total test time including -- check in, instructions, breaks, and collection of materials - 5 hours. |
| | | Mathematics | | 60 MC items | 60 | |
| | | Reading | | 40 MC items | 35 | |
| | | Science | | 40 MC items | 35 | |
| | | Writing | | 1 Prompt | 30 | |
| Day 1 Testing Time 205 minutes (3 hrs / 25 minutes) | | | | | | |
| Day 2 March 14 (Makeup March 28) | WorkKeys | Reading for Info | 3 | 33 MC Items | 45 | Total test time including -- check in, instructions, breaks, and collection of materials - 3 hours |
| | | Applied Mathematics | | 33 MC Items | 45 | |
| | Michigan | Mathematics | | 14 MC items | 20 | |
| Day 2 Testing Time 110 minutes (1 hour / 50 minutes) | | | | | | |
| Days 2 - 7 March 14 to 21 (Makeup March 28 to April 4) | Michigan | Science | 3 | 46 MC items | 50 | Total test time including -- check in, instruction, breaks and collection of materials - 3.5 hours |
| | | Social Studies | | 31 MC items and 1 prompt | 50 | |
| | | | | 26 MC items and 1 prompt | 50 | |
| One additional day during Days 2 -7 Testing Time 150 minutes (2 hours / 30 minutes) | | | | | | |
| *More detailed information about this schedule and the makeup tests given exactly 2 weeks later is available on the MME website | | | | TOTAL Minutes | 465 | |
| | | | | TOTAL Hours | 7.75 | |